

Building on City Lot Can Remain There

A WALTERIA developer whose \$85,000 building extends a few feet onto city property won't have to move the structure after all, it has been decided. Gilbert Sellen, who was ordered by the city Council to move the building off the city property several weeks ago, has obtained permission to leave it sit where it is. The city agreed to accept

Sellen's offer to indemnify the city and to record an instrument declaring the encroachment.

The building, which houses medical offices, extends 4 feet onto city land at Newton St. and Loytan Ave.

Legislators Study Methods of Simplifying Local Governments

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Several subjects for projected study during the present interim have now been singled out by our Senate Fact Finding Committee on Local Government.

As chairman of this committee, I have proposed that we give the greatest emphasis to those areas of local government where, by tightening or simplifying certain procedures, a tangible saving to the taxpayers can be effected along with closer control by the voting public.

generally felt that consolidation and simplification are badly needed in that of the numerous special districts that now abound in California. The term "special district" is applied to any local governmental entity which is neither a city, county, township or village.

Usually a special district has: (1) a resident population occupying a defined area; (2) a legally authorized governing body; (3) a separate legal identity; (4) the power to provide certain public services; and (5) a substantial degree of autonomy, including

power to levy tax assessments and raise at least a part of its own revenue.

IT IS ESTIMATED that California has between 5000 and 6,000 districts of all types in existence at the present time. Excluding school and irrigation districts, which report financial transactions to the State Controller, as they have been required to do annually since 1949. The services they provide include everything from sewers to cemeteries, flood control to fire protection, highways to hospitals,

mosquito abatement to water maintenance.

Of the 2,982 reporting, 1105 are governed by county boards of supervisors, and 1877 by separate boards, some appointed and some elected. Of the total number, 365 or 12 percent are located in Los Angeles County.

MOST OF THESE districts are performing legitimate and needed services, but there is a general feeling that the number is far in excess of what is necessary or feasible from the standpoint of efficiency, economy and simplicity. Some are too far removed from scrutiny by the public.

Several committees of the legislature have tackled this difficult problem in recent years, and for that reason our present study will be directed to certain specific aspects of special district procedure which previous investigation has revealed as holding the possibility of early reform.

ANOTHER AREA in which our committee feels it may be useful is that of cooperation between cities and counties and cities and cities to promote greater flexibility in meeting new situations created by our expanding population.

Both cities and counties have expressed an interest in the stimulation of cooperation of this kind, and if it can be facilitated in any way by legislation, our committee will endeavor to discover how it can be done most profitably to the taxpayers.

Permits for 56 Units in Waleria Set

Building permits for a total of 56 apartment units valued at \$315,400 were issued this week to the Cunningham Construction Co. by the city's building department.

To be erected near Newton St. and 242nd St. in Waleria, the units will be contained in six structures, and will include a pool, the permits disclosed. Addresses of the new apartments will extend from 4001 W. 242nd St. to 4027 W. 242nd St.

Seeks Holiday Help
Recruitment of about 100 extra workers for the Christmas season at the Airport Mail Facility, 5906 Avion Way, at International Airport, got under way Tuesday and will continue through tomorrow, it was announced by Postmaster Otto K. Olesen. Applications will be accepted from men who have passed their 18th birthday, he said.



NEW UNIFORMS... Joseph J. Kulek models new uniforms adopted by the Southern California Edison Co. for its meter readers, appliance repairmen, and commercial servicemen. Edison emblem on the uniforms plainly identify wearers as Edison representatives.

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